### **LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL**

Prices are trending steady to instances firm. Supplies are sufficient for the moderate demand. Processing schedules are normal to less than normal due to the extended Religious holiday weekend. Retail feature activity is moderate with the majority of interest split between the iSoutheast and South Central Regions. Finished product supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is moderate.

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg
Prices in cents per pound. 8.5 - 19.5 13.40

(Southeast Region broiler breeder hens generally for processing, 7 lbs. and up; under 7 lbs. subject to discount.)

#### LIVE SPENT LIGHT FOWL

Prices continue to trend steady for the light to moderate demand. Offerings of light type hens are sufficient for current needs. Processing schedules are normal to less than normal with some operations down due to the Religious holiday weekend. Market activity is slow to moderate. The majority price for removal costs remains unchanged at 0-7 cents per head.

(live hens are predominately egg-layers averaging about 3.5 lbs. live weight per bird.) Eastern region = AL, CT, DE, GA, KY, MA, MD, ME, MS, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, TN, VA, VT, and WV; North Central = IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI; South Central = AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX.

## **READY-TO-COOK FOWL**

#### **Midwest Region Negotiated Prices to First Receivers**

(cents/lb.delivered to first receivers; US Grade A and Plant Grade)

**Price Range** 

lce Packed (12/box): 80.0 - 86.0 Vacuum Packed (6-9/box): 85.0 - 90.0

Midwest region = IL, IN, MI, MO, OH, and WI

## LIVE FOWL AUCTIONS

#### Hackettstown, NJ - Tue Apr. 10

		Price Range	Avg.
Heavy F	owl each:	17.00	
	per pound:	0.80 - 0.90	0.83

#### Graystone Small Animal, Manheim, PA - Tue Apr. 10

Red Fowl 5-6 lbs: per pound

4-5 lbs: 0.60 - 0.70 per pound

Relative Fowl Featuring by Region /1

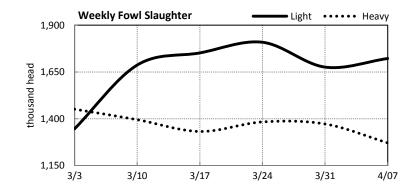
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 lbs: 0.70 - 0.80 per pound

# **LIVE FOWL SLAUGHTER**

# Weekly Fowl Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection Week ending 04-07-12

	Head Av	/g Wt	RTC Wt	Dress%
Light Hens:	1,722	3.36	3,124	54%
Heavy Hens:	1,271	8.12	6,708	65%
Total Hens:	2.993	5.38	9.832	

(head and ready-to-cook weight in thousands; avg. wght in lbs.)



# **RETAIL FOWL FEATURING**

# Supermarket featuring during the week of 04/13 to 04/19

(ad prices in \$/lb)	Light Hens		prices in \$/lb) Light Hens Heavy Hens		vy Hens
Region	Stores	Wtd Avg	Stores	s Wtd Avg	
	85	1.10	18	1.10	
Northeast	47	1.19			
Southeast	38	0.99	8	0.99	
Midwest					
South Central			10	1.19	
Southwest					
Northwest					

<sup>0% 0% 51% 37% %</sup> of stores featuring hens by region.

<sup>1/ %&#</sup>x27;s reflect feature activity relative to the sample size of each region.